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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re:

Numbering Resource Optimization; Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Telephone Number Portability; CC Docket Nos. 99-200, 96-98, 95-116

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Scott Jarus, President of j2 Global Communications, Inc. ("j2 Global"), and I met yesterday with Eric Einhorn, Cheryl Callahan, Scott Mackoul, and Sanford Williams, of the Wireline Competition Bureau. We discussed j2 Global's pending petition for reconsideration of the Third Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration in the above-captioned docket. We explained that j2 Global's services should not be segregated into separate technology-specific area codes and that if states were permitted to do so, competition for unified communications services would be harmed. We also discussed the value of SOs considering the impending implementation of wireless local number portability.

In addition, we discussed j2 Global's opposition to the California Public Utility Control's request to adopt two service specific area codes for the entire state. The petition is overly broad and fails any cost benefit analysis.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, I am submitting two copies of this letter.

Sincerely.

David M. Don

cc:

Eric Einhorn Cheryl Callahan Scott Mackoul Sanford Williams